more than 50 mcg. (equivalent to Ethenyle Estradoil) and of progrestine content of more than 3 mg. (equivalent to Norethisterene Acetate).

Setting up of A National Institute of Maternal and Child Health

1351. SHRIMATI SUDHA VIJAY JOSHI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of India have initiated suggestions from States for a suitable location for setting up a National Institute of Maternal and Child Health;

(b) whether in response to the same, the Maharashtra Government proposed that the institute be located at Nagpur and promised to provide the necessary infrastructural facilities for the same; and

(c) if so, the reaction of Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir.

(c) National Institute of Maternal and Child Health could not be set up during the 7th Plan as fund is not available for the project.

Sale of sweets in Kendriya Bhandar

1352. SHRI SOHAN LAL DHUSIYA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the practice to sell sweets through the Branches of Kendriya Bhandar in Delhi/New Delhi have now been discontinued;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) by when, the practice will again be continued for the benefit of consumers on occasion of certain festivals?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) Yes Sir.

(b) Due to non-availability of required expertise, hygienic problems and lack of infrastructural facilities with the organisation.

(c) The primary object of the Kendriya Bhandar is to supply essential commodities to the consumers and stationery to the Government Departments. Further in view of the facts, mentioned at para (b) above there is no proposal to restore the sale of sweets on the occasion of festivals.

Purchase of medicines for the C.G.H.Ss Unani dispensaries in Delhi

1353. SHRI SOHAN LAL DHUSIYA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the average amount allocated for purchase of medicines in Central Government Health Schemes Unani dispensaries in Delhi/New Delhi annually;

(b) what was the amount spent (monthwise) by Central Government Health Schemes Unani Store New Delhi out of the amount allocated during the period 1st April 1988 to 28th February, 1989;

(c) whether there was any type of avoidable delay in purchase of majority of medicines which resulted in harrassment to those beneficiaries who were desirous to have Unani treatment;

(d) if so, what are the reasons therefor; and

(e) what steps Government propose to take o avoid any repetition/recurrence of this type of delay in future?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE): (a) to (c) The information is